



# Mrs. Toner's Tidbits

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School Library  
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## September News:

After a wonderful, though seemingly short summer, school began on August 30<sup>th</sup> with just a hint of the cool days soon to come. The library schedule began immediately and it was fun to see so many familiar faces and exciting to meet new students!

By the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> week of school, everyone had a chance to check out their first books!



*Students enjoy their first check out of the year!*

**Kindergarten** – book care, library rules, first check out. Practice choosing from picture books and favorite non-fiction subjects.

**1<sup>st</sup> grade and M/A** – We've started discovering how fiction (E, ER & F) books are arranged in the library. Great practice using shelf markers!

**2<sup>nd</sup> grade** – Focus on selecting just right books by using tools such as the 5 finger rule.

**3<sup>rd</sup> grade** – Formally introduce students to the library. We will begin studying elements of non-fiction by studying Wampanoag books!

**4<sup>th</sup> grade & 5<sup>th</sup> grade** – Introduce the Win Rocks program (see next page) by watching book trailers and determining the characteristics of different genres.

## How can you help?

- Remind your child of his/her library day. Mark the calendar!
- Decide on a spot that will be easy to remember where library books are stored. Keep books safe from little siblings' hands and puppy teeth!
- Help your child keep books away from water and food.
- Have your child demonstrate the proper way to hold books (book spine in the palm, tucked up under arm)
- Use a bookmark.
- Continue reading to your child, but take turns and let him/her read a page to you too!
- Volunteer in the library!

## Library Schedule:

### Monday:

9:25 - 10:00 KM  
10:05 - 10:40 5W  
10:45 - 11:20 5 F  
11:25 - 12:00 KA  
12:30 - 1:05 3T  
1:10 - 1:45 5H  
1:55 - 2:30 4M

### Wednesday:

8:50 - 9:25 2K  
10:05 - 10:40 2H  
10:45 - 11:20 2F  
11:25 - 12:00 Multi-C  
1:15 - 1:50 4A

### Friday:

Closed

### Tuesday:

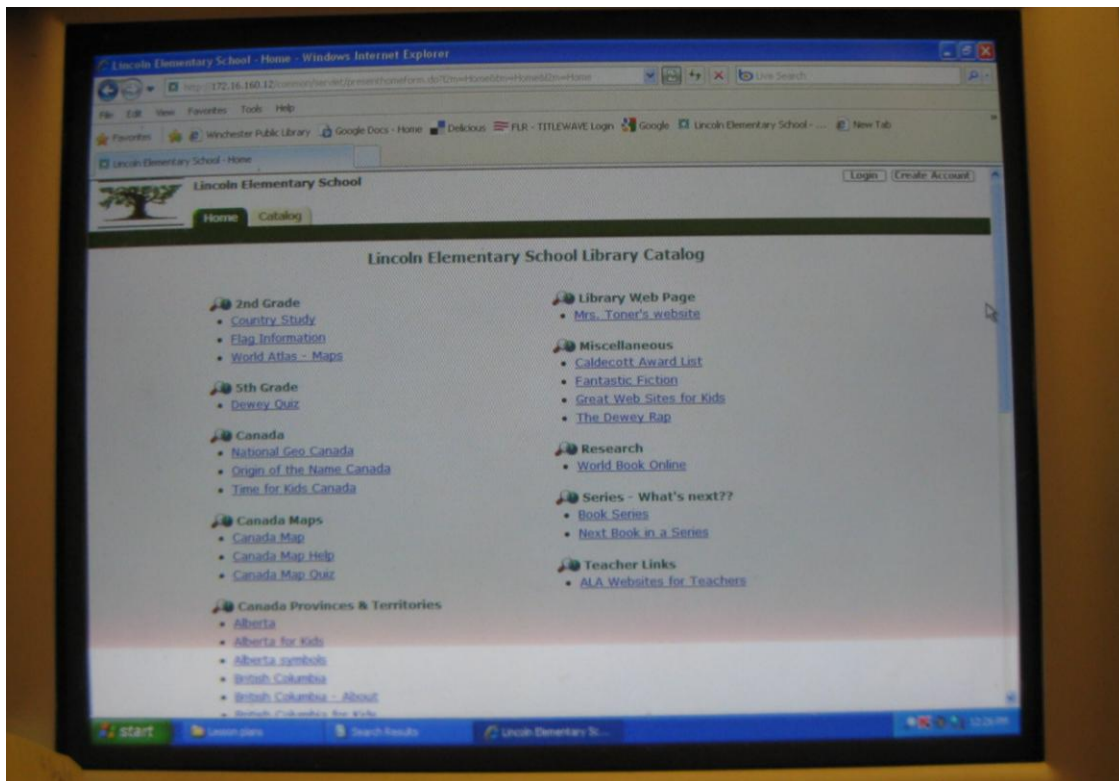
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9:40 - 10:15 1K  
10:20 - 10:55 1S  
11:00 - 11:35 1W  
1:10 - 1:45 4B  
1:55 - 2:30 3L

### Thursday:

8:45 - 9:20 3P  
9:25 - 10:00 KH  
10:05 - 10:40 4G  
10:45 - 11:20 3F  
11:25 - 12:00 KS

The library is also open Monday thru Thursday at 8:15 for additional checkout.

## Did you know that the Lincoln School Library catalog is available from home?



Type in the web address, <http://wpslibrary.winchester.k12.ma.us/> and select Lincoln Elementary School from the list. You will see the above home screen.

From here, you can search the catalog to see if a book is available at Lincoln, and you can also browse the many links on the home page.

As the year progresses, students in the upper grades will research projects by accessing links and web sites from this home page. (We'll investigate Mexico and Canada with the 4<sup>th</sup> grade and American Revolutionary figures with the 5<sup>th</sup>). Feel free to browse with them and send me any suggestions or questions:

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### *Winchester Reading Rocks!*

Winchester Reading Rocks is a program open to 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Each student is encouraged to read 5 books from a list of 25 between now and April 2012. The students will be assigned a character project in January which will be based on one the WRR books of their choice. Please encourage your child to keep reading! The WRR list is available in the library or by accessing Mrs. Toner's website:

<http://mail.winchester.k12.ma.us/~ltoner/>